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Attention: Commissioner for Patents

Docket No.: PD-990166A

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In re Application of: Harold A. Rosen et al. : Date: December 22, 2004
 Serial No.: 09/721,854 : Group Art Unit: 2685
 Filed: November 22, 2000 : Examiner: Lana N. Le
 For: GEO STATIONARY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM WITH:
 MINIMAL DELAY

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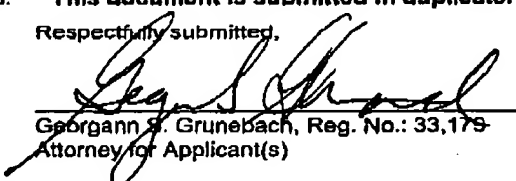
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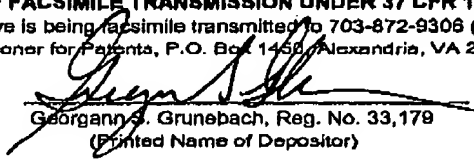
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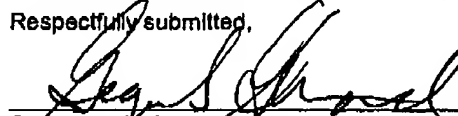
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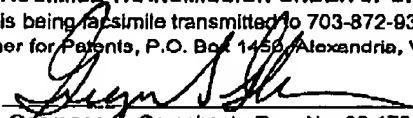
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